WARREN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

COMMITTEE: PUBLIC WORKS

DATE: NOVEMBER 19, 2018

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT: OTHERS PRESENT:

SUPERVISORS SIMPSON KEVIN HAJOS, SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

MERLINO TIM BENWAY, DIRECTOR, PARKS, RECREATION & RAILROAD

FRASIER RONALD CONOVER, CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD LOEB RYAN MOORE, COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

HYDE MARY ELIZABETH KISSANE, COUNTY ATTORNEY

MAGOWAN AMANDA ALLEN, CLERK OF THE BOARD WILD FRANK THOMAS, BUDGET OFFICER

SUPERVISORS BEATY

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT: BRAYMER
SUPERVISORS DICKINSON GERAGHTY

DIAMOND GERAGHI
DIAMOND HOGAN
SOKOL

JULIE BUTLER, PURCHASING AGENT

TAMMIE DELORENZO, ASSISTANT TO THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

DON LEHMAN, THE POST STAR

THOM RANDALL, ADIRONDACK JOURNAL

SARAH MCLENITHAN, DEPUTY CLERK OF THE BOARD

Please note, the following contains a summarization of the November 19, 2018 meeting of the Public Works Committee; the meeting in its entirety can be viewed on the Warren County website using the following link: http://www.warrencountyny.gov/gov/comm/Archive/2018/works/

Mr. Simpson called the meeting of the Public Works Committee to order at 11:20 a.m.

Copies of the Parks, Recreation & Railroad and DPW agendas were distributed to the Committee members and copies of same are on file with the meeting minutes.

Motion was made by Mrs. Frasier, seconded by Mr. Merlino and carried unanimously to approve the minutes of the last Committee meeting, subject to correction by the Clerk of the Board.

Commencing the review of the Parks, Recreation & Railroad agenda, Tim Benway, *Director, Parks, Recreation & Railroad*, presented the following request:

Page 1 - For agreements with the Towns of Hague, Horicon, Thurman and Lake Luzerne for 2018-19 snowmobile trial maintenance and equipment support for the term commencing January 1, 2019 and terminating December 31, 2019 (*Town of Horicon - \$27,000; Town of Thurman - \$27,000; Town of Lake Luzerne - \$27,000; Town of Hague - \$9,000*.

Mr. Loeb inquired whether the Snowmobile Clubs had any complaints that required addressing and Mr. Benway replied in the negative. He stated the last few years there had been a sufficient amount of snowfall for them to be able to actively use the trails. Mr. Merlino apprised these funds were used to pay for the equipment. He said his Town had been able to clean up the trails before the first snowfall to ensure they were ready for use when they opened on December 15th. Mr. Benway added the Warren County Bikeway was also ready for use once the required amount of snow on the trail was obtained.

Motion was made by Mr. Loeb, seconded by Mr. Magowan and carried unanimously to approve the request and the necessary resolution was authorized for the December 21st Board meeting. *A copy of the resolution request form is on file with the meeting minutes.*

Page 2- To authorize an inter-municipal agreement with the Town of Bolton to accept funding in the amount of \$20,000 in support of Up Yonda Environmental Education Center for budget year 2019.

Motion was made by Mr. Magowan, seconded by Mrs. Frasier and carried unanimously to approve the request and the necessary resolution was authorized for the December 21st Board meeting. *A copy of the resolution request form is on file with the meeting minutes.*

Mr. Loeb questioned what type of work was done on the Warren County Bikeway to prepare it for snowmobile use and Mr. Benway replied they took care of signage on several locations and opened the control gates once he and Mr. Hajos both felt there was an adequate amount of snow on the ground and they closed them when it became inadequate. Mr. Loeb inquired whether any action had been taken to prevent the snowmobile treads from digging up the Warren County Bikeway below Magic Forest and Kevin Hajos, Superintendent of Public Works, responded that they did so by closing the trail when there was an insufficient amount of snow on the trail. He apprised he had to close the trail last year in January by closing the gate which provided access to it due to the lack of snow cover. Mr. Loeb asked whether any signage was erected notifying that the trail was closed and Mr. Hajos replied there was signage on the gate indicating the trail was closed due to the lack of snow cover. Mr. Loeb questioned whether the snowmobilers could drive around the gate for access and Mr. Benway replied in the negative, informing the gates were locked to ensure no one would have access to the trail. He added the snowmobile organizations were liable for any damage that occurred on the trails. Mr. Loeb advised the reason for his inquiry related to the fact that he had noticed the damage last year when he was on the trail. Mr. Benway informed the damage Mr. Loeb was referring to had occurred because the groomer used by the South Warren Snowmobile Club was taking a sharp turn there, but now they were going the opposite way which prevented the grabbing and tearing of asphalt.

Page 3- To authorize transfer of Parks, Recreation & Railroad rail car known as the "Milk Car" surplus vehicle to the Town of Johnsburg and to authorize a licensing agreement for same to store on County property located at the North Creek Deport.

Mr. Benway stated the "Milk Car" had been donated to the County by the Upper Hudson River Railroad several years ago, but nothing had ever been done with it. He said the Town of Johnsburg had expressed interest in obtaining the car for the purpose of rebuilding it. He added his understanding was that this car was one of the last remaining "Milk Cars" in the State.

Ms. Hogan inquired whether it was permissible to store the car in the Engine House to allow them to commence with the restoration work. Mr. Hajos questioned how the car would be moved and whether they would have insurance due to liability arising from the dilapidated state of the car. Ms. Hogan apprised that the Town was contracting with Justin Gonyo, who was knowledgeable about the car, for this purpose, but she could relay any serious reservations they may have to him. Mr. Simpson inquired whether the Town would be responsible for moving the car back and Ms. Hogan replied in the affirmative, adding the purpose of the move was to get the car under cover to allow the restoration work to commence, adding they were also concerned with snow accruing on the car due to its dilapidated state.

A discussion ensued following which a motion was made by Mr. Loeb, seconded by Mr. Merlino and carried unanimously to approve the request and refer same to the Finance Committee. *A copy of the resolution request form is on file with the meeting minutes.*

Proceeding to the pending items portion of the agenda, Mr. Benway advised that the NYS DEC (New York State Department of Environmental Conservation) had indicated to him if the grant was not available

by October 26th it would not be made available this year; he added since no information was available, he did not believe the grant would be released this year.

Proceeding with the agenda review, Mr. Benway reviewed the data compiled pertaining to the 2018 Trunk or Treat event, which, he noted, had 578 participants and he distributed photos of the event; copies of the photos are file with the minutes.

Concluding the agenda review, Mr. Benway referred to a flyer advertising "Make a Holiday Wreath" which was occurring on several different occasions at Up Yonda Environmental Education Center and currently had 124 participants signed up. He stated the cost was \$15 per wreath or \$10 for members.

Mr. Loeb inquired whether there was any data available regarding where those who participated in events there from to assist with determining how many were from the northern portion of the County as compared to the southern region. Mr. Benway replied in the affirmative, apprising he would forward these figures on to Mr. Loeb. Mr. Loeb asked Mr. Benway to provide an estimate as to how many were from the City of Glens Falls, Town of Queensbury region and Mr. Benway responded that about a 1/3rd of the visitors were from the southern portion of the County.

Moving along to the review of the Public Works Agenda, Mr. Hajos presented the following requests:

Page 3- To authorize changing the name of Capital Project H377 from 2018 Pavement Preservation Project to Sunnyside East (CR54) Pavement Preservation Project.

- Page 4- To authorize submission of a grant application to the NYSDOT (New York State Department of Transportation) for funding in an amount not to exceed \$69,959 for Capital Project H377, Sunnyside East (CR54) Pavement Preservation Project.
- Page 11- To increase Capital Project H377, *Sunnyside East (CR54) Pavement Preservation Project*, in the amount of \$66,461 to allocate Federal and State shared funding for the preliminary engineering phase of the project in accordance with the grant agreement with the NYSDOT.
- Page 12- To authorize a new contract with Greenman-Pedersen Inc. for preliminary design work on Capital Project H377, *Sunnyside East (CR54) Pavement Preservation Project*, for an amount not to exceed \$69,959 commencing upon execution and terminating upon completion of the work.

A motion was made by Mr. Wild and seconded by Mr. Merlino to approve the requests as outlined above.

With regard to the State Marchiselli funding, Mr. Loeb questioned why there appeared to be two different totals listed in the paperwork, the first of which was \$69,959 and the other being \$66,461 and he asked where the \$48,500 that was approved by the Board last year for the Project was appplicable. Mr. Hajos explained the \$69,959 pertained to the grant award from the NYS DOT and when the County received a grant award from them they typically attached a Schedule A which would indicate whether the County was receiving the State Marchiselli funding up-front. He continued, the Treasurer's Office had directed them to always anticipate that they would receive the State Marchiselli funding; he added during his tenure with the County he had never been aware of an instance where the County did not receive these funds, but they were required to request them as part of the process. He mentioned previously they had put in for the full 20% as a local match; however, he said, as per the Treasurer's Office request, they were now breaking it down as 15% State Marchiselli funding and 5% local match. He informed the current grant agreement they had with the NYSDOT was for \$69,959 for which they already had appropriated State Marchiselli funding for the local match for this project in 2017 for the one project they had anticipated receiving it for, but they received funding for Sunnyside, as well, and he would be returning at a future Committee meeting to address this. He apprised since it had been

broken down into two projects the 80% Federal share matched the NYS DOT agreement for \$55,000 and the \$10,000 pertained to the State Marchiselli funding, but no local match was required because he had set aside the funds before the project was broken into two. Mr. Loeb inquired where the \$48,500 that was approved last year came into play and Mr. Hajos responded that a portion of the \$48,500 local match was going to be used for this project and another portion would be used for the Sunnyside Project that he would be addressing at a future Committee meeting. Ryan Moore, *County Administrator*, apprised that 5% of the \$69,959 added to \$66,561 equaled \$69,959.

Mr. Loeb asked for an explanation regarding the prevailing wage he presumed the County was paying to the contractors and Mr. Hajos replied the wages listed in the contract were not prevailing wage, as prevailing wage was only paid on construction and not design work which was carried out by an engineering firm. He explained the increase in rates referred to what the typical rates for the consultants were and this was what they were projecting that their increase in rates would be over the next few years which was permissible for them to do on these Federal Aid Projects. Mr. Loeb commented that the rate increases were substantial, but there was nothing they could do about that since this was what had come in as a response to the bid. Mr. Hajos interjected these were not necessarily projects that had gone out to bid, apprising that an RFP (Request for Proposal) was put out for consultants to submit for design or construction inspection services for these projects. He explained the process they used was similar to what they did at the Airport wherein there was an LDSA (Local Design Selection) list of consultants which he was the Coordinator for Region 1. He stated RFQ (Request for Quotation) were released for all the consultants within the region of which fifteen were selected to be placed on the LDSA list. He said the County had the option to narrow it down to five firms, but they never did, apprising anytime an RFP was released it was distributed to all fifteen firms and then they waited to see what they received for proposals. He said the proposals were not based solely on cost, but rather could they do the work, have they thought outside the box, could the work be completed in a shorter timeframe and could they prevent less of an impact to the public during construction. He informed each proposal was rated by himself, the Senior Civil Engineer and other staff Engineer following which they selected a firm to do the projects. He added the Federal Government and NYS DOT had also approved the LDSA list.

A discussion ensued following which Mr. Simpson called the question and the motion to approve the requests as outlined above was carried unanimously and the necessary resolutions were authorized for the December 21st Board Meeting for the items listed on pages 3, 4 and 12 and the item on page 11 was referred to the Finance Committee. *Copies of the resolution request forms are on file with the minutes.*

- Page 18- To authorize submission of a grant application to the NYS DOT for funding an amount not to exceed \$241,151 for Capital Project H381, *South Johnsburg Road* (CR57) Over Mill Creek Bridge Replacement Project.
- Page 25- To establish Capital Project H381, *South Johnsburg Road (CR57) Over Mill Creek Bridge Replacement Project*, in the amount of \$241,151.
- Page 26To authorize a new contract with Clark Patterson Lee for consultant services on Capital Project H381, *South Johnsburg Road (CR57) Over Mill Creek Bridge Replacement Project*, for an amount not to exceed \$249,151 commencing upon execution and termination upon completion of the work.

Motion was made by Mrs. Frasier, seconded by Mr. Wild and carried unanimously to approve the requests as outlined above and the necessary resolutions were authorized for the December 21st Board meeting for the items listed on pages 18 and 26 and the item listed on page 25 was referred to the

Finance Committee. *Copies of the resolution request forms are on file with the meeting minutes.*

Page 32- To decrease Capital Project H375, 13th Lake Road Culvert Replacement, in the amount of \$20,000.

Motion was made by Mr. Loeb, seconded by Mr. Magowan and carried unanimously to approve the request and forward same to the Finance Committee. *A copy of the resolution request form is on file with the meeting minutes.*

Page 33- To increase Capital Project H322, *Palisades Road (CR26) over Brant Lake Inlet Bridge Replacement Project*, in the amount of \$19,982.19 to cover additional right-of-way costs and in anticipation of local match required for construction and construction inspection phase.

Motion was made by Mr. Loeb, seconded by Ms. Hyde and carried unanimously to approve the request and forward same to the Finance Committee. *A copy of the resolution request form is on file with the meeting minutes.*

Page 34- To decrease Capital Project H329, *Warren County Bikeway Improvement Project,* in the amount of \$11,448 to adjust funding shares for project reconciliation and close out.

Mr. Hajos stated this was a "make The Connection" grant they received approximately five years ago for the purpose of tying in the Warren County Bikeway to a sidewalk that lead to the shops along CR 149. He said since that time they had run into a few right-of-way issues which would have required National Grid to move their utilities back resulting in a substantial cost that was not covered by the grant; therefore, he apprised, they would be returning the grant funds. He informed they were able to pave from the Bikeway to CR 149, adding they felt there was a sufficient amount of shoulder to allow those using the Bikeway to get to the shops.

Mr. Magowan questioned why National Grid had not offered to assist the County at no cost and Mr. Hajos replied it related to the amount of work required. He explained because there were three transformers on one utility pole which would require them getting an easement if it was set back and a guide pole would have to be set on the opposite side of the road where they had a few more transformers located they would only agree to doing the work at a significant cost that was within the \$50,000 to \$60,000 range.

Motion was made by Mrs. Frasier, seconded by Mr. Magowan and carried unanimously to approve the request and forward same to the Finance Committee. *A copy of the resolution request form is on file with the meeting minutes.*

Page 35- To amend the County Budget in the amount of \$31,432.17 to reflect funding returned to Budget Code A.9950 910, *Interfund Transfers*.

Motion was made by Mr. Wild, seconded by Mr. Magowan and carried unanimously to approve the request and forward same to the Finance Committee. *A copy of the resolution request form is on file with the meeting minutes.*

Page 36- To authorize friendly condemnation for Tax Map Parcel No. 39.13-2-1 in the Townf of Horicon which was necessary for Capital Project H322, *Palisades Road (CR26) over Brant Lake Inlet Bridge Replacement Project*, in the Town of Horicon to avoid undue project delays.

Mr. Hajos apprised this project had been on-going over the last four years to come up with a design to lessen the impacts on property owners. He said currently there were four properties that were impacted of which three of the property owners had signed off on right-of-ways to the County for which they will be compensated through the Federal Aid Project funding. He apprised Tax Map Parcel No. 39-13-2-1 which was located adjacent to the bridge was owned by several different people who were in a dispute regarding the ownership shares of said parcel which the County had planned on paying around \$20,200 for the right-of-way. He informed the County's consult for right-of-way- services was suggesting that the County move forward with a friendly condemnation where the funds would be placed into an escrow account to prevent the project from being delayed by this dispute.

A motion was made by Mr. Magowan and seconded by Mr. Wild to approve the request as outlined above.

Mr. Wild inquired whether there was any disagreement in terms of the value of the parcel and Mr. Hajos responded that was handled through the Federal Aid Process which required the County to follow strict guidelines for the appraisal process or the Federal Government would not sign off on the project. He said the property had been through the appraisal process to come up with a fair market value of \$20,200.

Mr. Magowan asked whether the property owners could demand more money for their parcel and Mr. Hajos replied in the affirmative. He said the properties were acquired through the eminent domain process which did allow for the property owners the option of bringing the matter to Court to seek more compensation for their parcel which would require a more up-to-date appraisal, but the one they were using currently was the most up-to-date.

Mr. Wild questioned whether this parcel included the dock space on Brant Lake with it and Mr. Hajos replied the parcel was located on the opposite side of the dock space. Mr. Simpson stated the parcel contained a small parking lot which was used to access the beach.

A discussion ensued following which Mr. Simpson called the question and the motion to approve the request as outlined above was carried unanimously and the necessary resolution was authorized for the December 21^{st} Board meeting. A copy of the resolution request form is on file with the meeting minutes.

During the discussion Mr. Loeb apprised he would like an update on the bridge project that was being held up due to issues with State land. Mr. Hajos stated that Mr. Loeb was referring to was Middleton Bridge which they were still working on. He said the State Legislature had voted in November of last year in favor of the land bank which was required in order for them to move forward and now they were going through the process with the NYS DOT to justify moving forward with the project since it had been over ten years.

- Page 37- To authorize a new contract with Darrah Land Surveying PLLC for periodic surveying services pursuant to the terms and provisions of the specifications (WC 62-18) and proposal for a term commencing January 1, 2019 and terminating December 31, 2019 with the option to extend for up two additional one year terms.
- Page 38- To authorize a new contract with JMT of New York, Inc. for periodic structural engineering services pursuant to the terms and provisions of the specifications (WC 61-18) and proposal for a term commencing January 1, 2019 and terminating December 31, 2019 with the option to extend for up two additional one year terms.
- Page 39- To authorize a new contract with Atlantic Testing Laboratories for periodic

asbestos and lead consulting services pursuant to the terms and provisions of the specifications (WC 60-18) and proposal for a term commencing January 1, 2019 and terminating December 31, 2019 with the option to extend for up two additional one year terms.

Motion was made by Mrs. Frasier, seconded by Mr. Loeb and carried unanimously to approve the requests as outlined above and the necessary resolutions were authorized for the December 21^{st} Board meeting. Copies of the resolution request forms are on file with the meeting minutes.

Page 40- To fill the vacant position of MEO Light #3, *Grade 7, Base Annual Salary \$32,749,* due to resignation.

Chairman Conover inquired whether Mr. Hajos was having difficulty filling vacant positions which required a CDL (*Commercial Drivers License*) and Mr. Hajos replied in the affirmative. Mr. Hajos explained the County required their MEO Light employees to have their CDL to allow them to do snowplowing with their tandem plows; however, he noted, they were not permitted to do OPP (*One Person Plowing*) until they were trained by the County, adding they were experiencing difficulties filling these positions because the wages elsewhere were higher. Chairman Conover stated the Town of Bolton was also having a difficult time filling positions which required a CDL and he asked whether they should notify WSWHE BOCES (*Washington-Saratoga-Warren-Hamilton-Essex Board of Cooperative Educational Services*) that they Towns and County were seeking employees who had their CDL. Mr. Hajos apprised that he was in frequent contract with representatives of WSHWHE BOCES in an attempt to hire those who completed their CDL program, but contractors paid substantially more than the County.

Motion was made by Mr. Loeb, seconded by Mrs. Frasier and carried unanimously to approve the request and forward same to the Personnel & Higher Education Committee for reporting purposes. *A copy of the Notice of Intent to Fill Vacant Position form is on file with the meeting minutes.*

Page 41- To fill the vacant position of Highway Construction Supervisor #1, *Grade 12, Base Annual Salary \$37,835*, due to promotion.

Motion was made by Mr. Loeb, seconded by Mr. Wild and carried unanimously to approve the request and forward same to the Personnel & Higher Education Committee for reporting purposes. *A copy of the Notice of Intent to Fill Vacant Position form is on file with the meeting minutes.*

Page 42- For transfers of funds amongst various road projects totaling \$158,489.74.

Motion was made by Mr. Magowan, seconded by Mr. Merlino and carried unanimously to approve the request and forward same to the Finance Committee. *A copy of the resolution request form is on file with the meeting minutes.*

Page 44- For a transfer of funds in the amount of \$51.65 from Budget Code D.5148 110, Serv. To Other Govts, Salaries-Reg, to Budget Code D.5148 120, Serv. To Other Govts, Salaries-OT, to cover overtime salaries for each Town Road Project.

Motion was made by Mrs. Frasier, seconded by Mr. Wild and carried unanimously to approve the request and forward same to the Finance Committee. *A copy of the resolution request form is on file with the meeting minutes.*

Page 45- To authorize an Intermunicipal Agreement with the Village of Lake George to purchase a live edge plow.

Page 46- For a transfer of funds in the amount of \$5,000 from Budget Code DM.5130 441, Road Machinery, Machinery, Auto Supplies & Repair, to Budget Code DM.5130 230, Road Machinery, Machinery, Automotive Equipment, to fund the purchase of a live edge plow.

Mr. Hajos apprised based on the Salt Initiative a grant was awarded to the Village of Lake George in the amount of \$200,000 which had a local match associated with it to allow all the towns located within the Lake George Basin to purchase live-edge plows. He said the Towns of Lake George, Hague and Bolton, as well as the Village of Lake George were purchasing these plows through this grant. He said upon the request of Chairman Conover and Mr. Simpson he had participated in a discussion concerning the reduction of salt use County-wide during which a representative of the Water fund had indicated the County was eligible for these funds, as well to purchase ans use the live-edge plow on their route within the Lake George Basin, but the County would have to come up with the local match which would be paid to the Village of Lake George. He said the typical cost of the live-edge plows was between \$22,000 to \$23,000. He informed the hope was to reduce the County's salt use on the roads located within the Lake George Basin by using this live-edge plow and using brine. He stated if salt use was reduced through the use of this plow than the goal would be to use these plows to reduce salt use on all County roadways in the future. Mr. Hajos added the transfer of funds request referred to the Local Match which he had available within his budget.

A discussion ensued following which a motion was made by Mr. Loeb, seconded by Mrs. Frasier and carried unanimously to approve the requests as outlined above and the necessary resolution was authorized for the December 21st Board meeting for the item listed on page 45 and the item listed on page 46 was referred to the Finance Committee. *Copies of the resolution request forms are on file with the meeting minutes.*

During the discussion Mr. Magowan asked whether there was any funding available to assist Mr. Merlino with purchasing a live-edge plow for the Town of Lake Luzerne and Mr. Hajos responded that a representative of the Lake George Watershed was working with Mr. Merlino on this issue. He apprised the County had also included an additional \$2,000 as part of the allocation for Towns to purchase equipment to reduce salt on the roadways in the winter for the Towns located outside of the Lake George Basin in the 2019 County Budget. Mr. Merlino stated they had been able to reduce the cost of purchasing the plow for his Town of around \$16,000 through his efforts working with the Watershed

Page 47- To amend the County Budget in the amount of \$230,748.43 to reflect the receipt of additional County Road Consolidated Highway Funds (Extreme Winter Recovery) from New York State.

Mr. Hajos advised one of the projects they had been unable to get to this year was 13th Lake Road in North River which was just above the Town of North Creek. He stated the area of the road that had gabion baskets for three miles which held back an embankment had experienced many issues over the years such as the gabion baskets failing or the culverts along that area washing out. He advised last year when they reviewed road they thought only a mill and fill would be required which consisted of grinding up the old pavement, removing it and putting down new pavement; however, he noted, after last winter and this spring they determined a significant amount of additional work was required which would consist of replacing about eighteen culverts along that area that required a reclamation instead. He stated his intent was to allocate the extreme winter recovery funds into that project.

Motion was made by Mr. Magowan, seconded by Mrs. Frasier and carried unanimously to approve the request and forward same to the Finance Committee. *A copy of the resolution request form is on file with the meeting minutes.*

With regard to the Information for Discussion/Review section of the agenda, Mr. Hajos stated the County had submitted for work on two bridges and four culverts through the Bridges of New York Program for which they were awarded \$2.9 million for the Bay Road Bridge over Halfway Creek. He said of the four culverts they submitted for they were awarded funding for three of them which consisted of Call Street located between the Town's of Queensbury and Lake Luzerne in the amount of \$975,000, 13th Lake Road for a culvert located near Barton Mines in the amount of \$814,000 and one located on Horicon Avenue in the Town of Bolton in the amount of \$779,000. He said the work on the culverts was 100% funded and the work on the Bay Road Bridge consisted of an 85% Federal, 15% State and 5% local match share.

A discussion ensued.

Concluding the agenda review, Mr. Hajos offered privilege of the floor to Julie Butler, *Purchasing Agent*, to discuss recyclable disposal services. Mrs. Butler stated last month she had provided an update on the status of the contracts for solid waste disposal, recycling and transportation, apprising since then the extension letters had been distributed for solid waste disposal, but they had to rebid the recycling disposal services. She stated they would still receive a rebate for paper, but the amount was decreasing and the cost for disposing the remaining recyclables were increasing substantially. She apprised the transportation bids were out now and one of the vendors who had previously accepted recyclables in the Town of Fort Ann to a site in Albany, New York and the Hiram Hollow site in the Town of Gansevoort had increased their rates from \$65 per ton depending on the recyclable to \$162. She informed she would was currently working on an addendum to make it a more accurate award because every recyclables weight was different depending on the container size. She informed she was notifying them of these changes to ensure they were not taken aback when the transportation bid, that was opening on December 6th, were received.

A lengthy discussion ensued.

There being no further business to come before the Public Works Committee, on motion made by Mr. Merlino and seconded by Mr. Loeb, Mr. Simpson adjourned the meeting at 12:29 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Sarah McLenithan, Deputy Clerk of the Board